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Thursday, November 3, 2016.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of allegiance.

### Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Miss Garry of Dracut) commemorating the dedication of Army Specialist Mathew G. Boule Memorial Park in the town of Dracut, were referred under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Mathew Boule.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Tucker of Salem, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

#### Communication.

A communication from the Martha's Vineyard Transit Authority (see Section 8(g) of Chapter 161B of the General Laws) submitting its annual report for the fiscal year 2016, was placed on file.

Martha's Vineyard Transit Authority.

# Annual Reports.

Annual reports

Of the Office of the Comptroller (under Section 12(a) of Chapter 7A of the General Laws) submitting the Statutory Basis Financial Report for the fiscal year 2016; and

Comptroller,—SBFR.

Of the Department of Youth Services (under Section 16 of Chapter 123A of the General Laws) relative to sexually dangerous persons in the custody of the department during the fiscal year 2016 [copies of said report were forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means and the committee on the Judiciary].

Youth services.

Severally, were placed on file.

# Petition.

Representative McMurtry of Dedham and Senator Rush presented a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul McMurtry and Michael F. Rush for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Hua Tan, an employee of the Department of Public Health; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the

Hua Tan,—sick leave.

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committee on Rules.

# Paper From the Senate.

A Bill relative to equity in public contracting in honor of Bruce C. Bolling (Senate, No. 2503) (on Senate bill No. 1617), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Minority and women contracting.

## Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, for the committee on Revenue, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Reading to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 4703) [Local Approval Received], was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Reading, property tax exemption.

Mr. Nangle of Lowell, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. McGonagle of Everett, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Nangle of Lowell, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the following bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Senate bills

Designating a certain bridge in the town of Norwood as the Thomas J. Kewriga Memorial Bridge (Senate, No. 1871); and

Relative to the charter of the town of Wareham (Senate, No. 2483) [Local Approval Received]; and

The House Bill designating a certain intersection in the town of Pembroke as the James "Tiny" Brown Memorial Square (House, No. 4701);

Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on the motion of Mr. McGonagle of Everett, the bills were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

Norwood,—bridge.

Wareham,—charter.

Pembroke,— Brown memorial square.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that the Resolve establishing a task force on integrity in state and local government (House, No. 4627, changed), ought to pass. Referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Elected and appointed employees,—ethics study.

By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, for the committee on Revenue, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to the taxation of cider (House, No. 4678).

Cider,—taxation.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 4709, a Bill relative to tax return filing deadlines (House, No. 4716).

Taxes, filing deadlines.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Charlemont,—recreation tax.

By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, for the committee on Revenue, on a petition, a Bill relative to a Charlemont recreation tax (House, No. 4700) [Local Approval Received].

Residential property.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 4710, a Bill relative to the residential exemption (House, No. 4717).

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Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

# Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Aaron Paul, an employee of the Department of Correction (see Senate, No. 2494, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Aaron Paul, sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 4 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

# Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Relative to the charter of the city of Chelsea (see House, No. 3569 amended); and

Bills enacted.

Authorizing the city of Beverly to grant additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages (see House, No. 4586);

(Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

### Orders of the Day.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill authorizing the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey a certain parcel of land in the town of Foxborough to the Foxborough housing authority (House, No. 3938, amended), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Foxborough,—land.

The Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Karen Tavernier, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (Senate, No. 2498), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Third reading bill.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Deerfield to continue the employment of police officers Gary Sibilia and David Gendron (House, No. 4263), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Deerfield,— Gary Sibilia and David Gendron.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it in section 1, in lines 6 to 9, inclusive, by striking out the sentence contained in those lines and inserting in place thereof the following sentence: "No further deductions shall be made from the regular compensation of Gary Sibilia or David Gendron pursuant to chapter 32 of the General Laws for any

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service subsequent to the date each officer reaches 65 years of age, and upon retirement, each shall receive a superannuation retirement allowance equal to that which he would have been entitled had he retired at the age of 65.".

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4263, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill designating a certain bridge in the town of Freetown as the Senator Joan M. Menard overpass (House, No. 4628, changed) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Freetown— Joan Menard overpass.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it in line 3 by inserting after the word "The" the words "division of highways in the".

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4628, changed and amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

#### Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,— *Ordered*, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next sitting.

At twenty minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. D'Emilia of Bridgewater (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.